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For: LOCKING SYSTEM AND )  
FLOORING BOARD )  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, please amend the application, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17 and 18 as follows:

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

Claim 4, lines 1 and 2, change "any one of the preceding claims" to --claim

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